

ASSEMBLY, No. 2341

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:
Assemblyman EDWARD H. THOMSON
District 30 (Monmouth and Ocean)

SYNOPSIS

Designates portion of New Jersey Route No. 34 in Wall Township as
“Duncan Thecker Memorial Highway.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **AN ACT** designating that portion of New Jersey Route No. 34 in the
2 Township of Wall as the “Duncan Thecker Memorial Highway.”

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4 **WHEREAS**, Duncan C. Thecker was born January 17, 1915, in Rhode
5 Island, and died September 29, 2010, in Colts Neck, New Jersey;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Thecker was raised in Long Branch, New Jersey and
8 graduated from Long Branch High School; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Thecker started Campbell Concrete Company
10 following his purchase of the former Hause Concrete Company;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, In 1958, Mr. Thecker was instrumental in forming United
13 Materials Company by merging four concrete companies; and

14 **WHEREAS**, In 1965, Mr. Thecker sold his interest in United Materials
15 and formed Duncan Thecker Precast, which continued in operation
16 until the company was purchased in 1999; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Thecker strived to be active in public service and
18 served on the Monmouth County Planning Board and was a trustee
19 of the Monmouth County Conservation Foundation; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Reflecting his entrepreneurial spirit, Mr. Thecker served as
21 the chairman of the New Jersey Small Business Advisory
22 Committee and was a member of the Small Business
23 Administration Advisory Council; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Beginning in 1960, Mr. Thecker served as a member of the
25 Monmouth County Republican Committee, where he served on the
26 Executive Committee and as the Chairman of the Finance
27 Committee; and

28 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Thecker was one of the founders of the New Jersey
29 Alliance for Action and served as the President of the New Jersey
30 Citizens Highway Committee; and

31 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Thecker served as the President of the Route 34 Wall
32 Group, which consisted of businessmen and property owners
33 located on Route 34 who assisted in planning the growth of that
34 area; and

35 **WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper for the Legislature of the State of
36 New Jersey to honor Mr. Duncan C. Thecker for his many
37 contributions to Monmouth County and this State by designating
38 that portion of New Jersey Route No. 34 in Wall Township as the
39 “Duncan Thecker Memorial Highway;” now, therefore,

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41 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
42 *of New Jersey:*

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44 1. The Commissioner of Transportation shall designate that
45 portion of New Jersey Route No. 34 in the Township of Wall,
46 extending from milepost 0 to milepost 7.72, as the “Duncan
47 Thecker Memorial Highway” and shall erect appropriate signs
48 bearing this designation.

1 2. State or other public funds shall not be used for producing,
2 purchasing, or erecting signs bearing the designation established
3 pursuant to section 1 of this act. The Commissioner of
4 Transportation is authorized to receive gifts, grants, or other
5 financial assistance from private sources for the purpose of funding
6 or reimbursing the Department of Transportation for the costs
7 associated with producing, purchasing, erecting, and maintaining
8 signs bearing the designation established pursuant to section 1 of
9 this act and entering into agreements related thereto, with private
10 sources, including, but not limited, to non-governmental non-profit,
11 educational, or charitable entities or institutions. Work shall not
12 proceed and funding shall not be accepted by the Department of
13 Transportation until an agreement has been reached with a
14 responsible party for paying the costs associated with producing,
15 purchasing, erecting, and maintaining the signs.

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17 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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22 This bill designates that portion of New Jersey Route No. 34 in
23 Wall Township as the “Duncan Thecker Memorial Highway” in
24 honor of the contributions Mr. Thecker made to Monmouth County
25 and the State of New Jersey.